Work Zone Safety Driving Tips

Stay alert – Dedicate your full attention to the highway.

<u>Pay close attention</u> – Signs and work zone flaggers save lives.

<u>Turn on your headlights</u> – Workers and other motorists must see you.

<u>Don't tailgate or speed</u> – Note the posted speeds in and around the work zones. At 60mph, a vehicle travels 88 feet per second. In the ¾ of a second it takes to put your foot on the brake, you've gone 66 feet—180 to 220 feet before you stop! If you speed or tailgate, by the time you SEE a problem, you're out of luck!

<u>Merge as soon as possible</u> – Motorists can help maintain traffic flow and posted speeds by moving the appropriate lane at first notice of an approaching work zone.

Don't change lanes

<u>Minimize distractions</u> – Avoid changing radio stations and using mobile phones while driving.

<u>Be patient & remain calm</u> – Usually delays at work zones are minor but they do occur and are necessary. Workers are there to improve the road for everyone!

<u>Give 'em a Brake!</u> – The workers you see are real people with families to go home to. Remember—the folks in orange & yellow vests are someone's mother or brother...do your part in keeping them safe.